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Dear Mr. Mansfield:

Subject: Notification of Activity

Barrick Resources (USA), Inc. is proposing for your review and approval an expansion of its Mercur Mine facilities which will encompass lands of the State of Utah. Provided for your referral is the "Notice of Intention to Revise Large Mining Operations" which was filed with the Division of Oil, Gas & Mining November 30, 1988. This "Notice" details the extent of the proposed expansion of our operations. Also provided is a copy of DOGM's comments on the "Notice" dated February 22, 1989. Barrick will reply to these comments in March 1989, with a copy sent to your attention. The above-noted DOGM items are attached as Documents 1 and 2, respectively.

In summary, the state lands in question are described as follows: All or parts of Lots 14 through 18, Section 32, Township 5 South, Range 3 West, S.L.B.&M. Total acreage within the disturbed area boundary (see Document 3, attached) is calculated at 59.7 acres. The aforementioned are encumbered with both State Mineral Lease 42967 (Barrick Mercur Gold Mines, Inc.) and State Grazing Permit 21845 (Mrs. Vinnie H. Ault). Pursuant to the December 1986 resolution of the land use conflict between M.L. 42967 and G.P. 21845, Barrick requests like approval for vacating of G.P. 21845 on the proposed 59.7 acres and permission for activity depicted on Attachment 2, Document 1 to continue per M.L. 42967. In support of this request, please be advised that (1) the possessors of G.P. 21845 have not grazed livestock on the lands in question since the Mercur operations started production in 1983 and (2) the lands in question are vital to the successful continued development of the Mercur operations, now scheduled for cessation of work in 1999.

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Your timely approval of this request to utilize the described lands of the State of Utah for the designated purposes is very important for our 1989 construction season schedule. Please contact me at your earliest convenience to facilitate resolution of any issues you may have concerning this submittal.

Thank you for your continued cooperation.

Respectfully,



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